## Lessons 23 Sections 4.2 and 4.3 3-part Inequality, Absolute Value Inequalities

3-Part Inequality:  $2 < x < 10 \rightarrow x < 10$  AND x > 2

The number must meet both conditions, therefore the conjunction 'and'. Where are these numbers on the number line?



These numbers are <u>between</u> 2 and 10. This can be written as 2 < x < 10, a 3-part inequality.

Solve the following:

1)  $-12 < 3x + 4 \le 12$  2) 10 > 3 - 2x > 0

Examine this statement: x < -3 or x > 2 With an 'or' statement, only the first condition or only the second condition must be true. Where are these numbers on the number line?

← -10 -8 -6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6 8 10 These are the numbers found in two 'rays' in opposite directions. Many students try to write this as a 3-part inequality: -3 > x > 2. However, this implies -3 > 2, which is false. This type of situation is not a 3-part inequality.

Examine: |x| < 2

Solutions include  $0,-1,\frac{3}{2},-1\frac{7}{8},1.999,-1.87$  These are the numbers that are less than 2 units from zero.

Examine where these are on a number line:



Examine: |x| > 2Solutions include 3,-4,2.5,3 $\frac{1}{2}$ , $\frac{20}{3}$ ,2.01,-2.1 These are numbers that are greater than 2 units from zero.

Examine where these are on a number line: 
$$-2$$
  $-2$ 

x < -2 or x > 2The above cannot be written as a 3-part inequality.



The above are true as long as p is positive. If p is negative, think!!! There will either be a solution of 'all real numbers' or 'no solution'.

Solve the following. Write solutions using interval notation and graph. 12) |r| < 12

13) |x-1| > 3

Note: In place of an 'open' circle, we will now use a parenthesis. In place of a 'closed' circle, we will now use a bracket. Each will be curved in the direction of shading.

Note: The symbol for the word 'or' in interval notation is the union symbol  $\cup$ . 14)  $|2x+3| \le 11$  15) |x-4|+5>2

16)  $|2a-5|+1 \ge 9$ 

17) |6-2y| < 4

18)  $7 + |4r - 5| \le 26$